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have been made.

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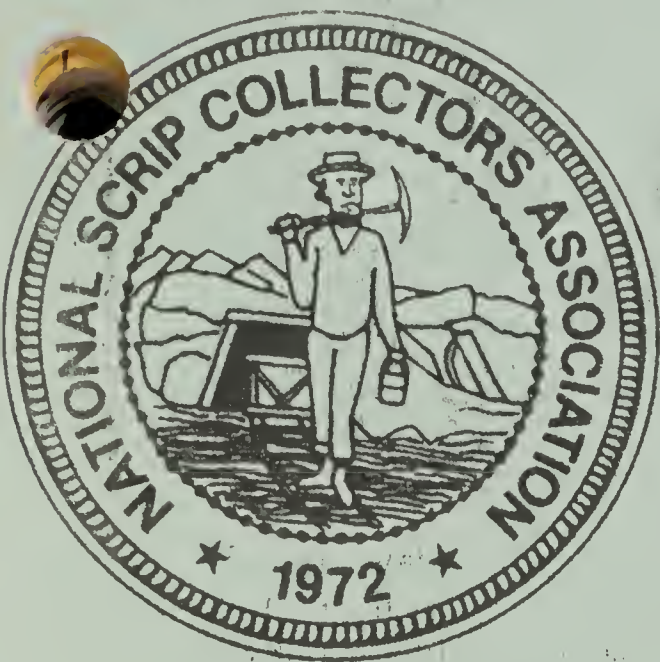
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Since I am not a candidate for reelection, this will be my last column. I really have enjoyed the past four years. The opportunity to be president of NSCA has been a privilege for which I am deeply grateful, but now it is time for someone else to bring new ideas to the organization.

We need to continue to grow, but in order to do so, it is imperative that we attract more people to the hobby of scrip collecting and to encourage them to join NSCA. We also need to improve our services to members because we are losing more than we should each year, although we do have a slow but steady growth in the membership total.

To those of you who have assisted me in many ways, my sincerest thanks. I won't attempt to list the names of those who have responded to my requests for help for fear of omitting a name, but a large number of you did help. The responsibility of being president of a volunteer organization could not have been accomplished without you.

Such services as you have contributed are going to be needed by the new officers. I hope you won't wait to be asked but that you will take the initiative your self. More articles are needed for SCRIP TALK. These can be on anything related to the industry or to the use of tokens as a medium of wages in the coal, lumber or any one of the other industries which used scrip.

We also need a steady stream of articles written for publication in other magazines and papers in order to get our story about scrip collecting to the attention of the general public and potential new members.

We need ideas for getting more members to come to the semi-annual meetings. Perhaps this can be done through satellite or mini meetings, but, if so, someone in the meeting area will have to take the initiative and make the necessary arrangements.

I am certain there are many other ideas for improving the satisfaction of members and for obtaining new members. I am equally certain that the new officers will need all of the ideas and help they can get. Although the association exists for your satisfaction, your help is needed. Won't you please volunteer in same way.

Again, thanks for letting me be your president for the past four years. I hope each of you have gotten as much enjoyment out of NSCA as I have tried to put in to it.

A late item of special interest for some of you. As you know, we have been sold out of the Edkins Catalogue for sometime. Recently, however we were able to repurchase 15 copies from a dealer who had bought a large supply some time back. Since we had to pay a little premium for them, we can not put the Catalogue on the membership special, but we can make them available to any member who wants one for \$16.00 plus postage while they last. If you are interested, send your check to Walter as soon as possible.

THE STORY OF COAL

THIS INTERESTING ARTICLE WAS PROVIDED BY PAUL JENSEN OF VILLA HILLS, KENTUCKY AND HE NOTES THAT IT WAS USED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NEW YORK STATE IN 1906.

The first part of the series is reprinted below and other portions will be included in future issues of "SCRIP TALK". We need additional material for future issues. Remember - the best article printed each year can win the big trophy at the annual meeting !! Why not submit material today ?? YOU can be a winner !!

Have you ever thought what wonderful things there are deep down under the ground? One of them we use every day. In fact we could not well get along without it. It is COAL !!

Take a lump of the dirty black stuff and look at it. It is hard and yet you can scratch it with a pin or break it between two stones. It is covered with a fine black dust that soils your fingers.

Have you ever seen a pretty white flower growing in black earth and did you wonder how such a clean pure flower could grow in such a place? Yet this is not more wonderful than the fact that the dirty lump you are now examining was once parts of a stately tree or a beautiful green plant.

Thousands and thousands of years before there were any people upon our earth these trees and plants were growing here. In those days ferns grew to be as high as trees and mosses grew to a great size. In time, these great trees and ferns and mosses fell and rotted.

Earth was washed over them until they were quite deeply covered. After a long time this mass of decayed plants hardened into coal. The earth above and below this strip or vein of coal also hardened and became a dull black rock called slate. On this rock we find the print of the leaves and stems of plants. Sometimes the slate shows a branch of a tree, sometimes nuts or seeds but never flowers.

Men lived for thousands of years upon the earth before they found out that coal was good to burn. Iron workers and others who needed a very hot fire used charcoal. Other people burned wood.

In those ancient days there lived a poor blacksmith. He had to make the charcoal to burn in his forge. This took so much time that, hard as he might work, he could not make enough money to keep his family. At last, in despair he was about to kill himself, when a white-bearded old man appeared at his shop, and told him to go to the mountain near by and dig out the black rock and burn it.

He did so and his fire was so hot and lasted so long that he earned a great deal that day. Soon he grew to be a rich man. This is a story which the people of Belgium tell about the discovery of coal.

We have very good proof that coal was used a little, three hundred years before the time of Christ. But it was hundreds of years after that time before many people used it.

By the end of the thirteenth century soft coal was coming into use in the city of London. But the people there did not like the smoke. They thought it poisoned the air and begged that it might not be used in their city. So King Edward I said that anyone who burned coal in London should have his head cut off.

The kings who came after Edward I were not so harsh and finally coal came to be used quite generally.

The first coal found in America was near Ottawa, Illinois. It was found by Father Hennepin, a French explorer, in 1679. He did not make much use of his discovery, however, as he soon went on to explore the country farther south.

THE STORY OF COAL (continued)

The oldest coal mines of America are near Richmond, Virginia. It is thought that coal was mined there as early as 1750. This vein of coal was discovered by a boy who was on a fishing trip. The fish bit so well that soon his bait was all gone.

He began to hunt in a small creek for crabs for bait. He stubbed his toe on what appeared to be a black rock but when he examined it more closely, he found it was coal. He took a piece of it and hurried home to show it to his father. The father agreed with him that it was coal. Soon a mine was opened there. Before that time the little coal used in America had been brought from England.

Coal has been found in many parts of the United States and nearly always the discovery has been an accident. Its discovery near the Lehigh River was made by Philip Ginter, a hunter who had built a cabin in the forest and lived there with his family.

One day the supply of food was nearly gone. Philip took his gun and went out to see if he could shoot something for food. He hunted and hunted but could find nothing. The morning passed, the afternoon went by, night was coming, but still he found nothing.

He was tired and hungry and sadly disappointed that he had no food to take home to his hungry little ones. A drizzling rain set in as he started homeward across the Mauch Chunk mountain. He walked slowly looking about him, hoping some game might yet come into view. His foot happened to strike a hard substance which rolled away.

He picked it up and saw that it was black and wondered if it could be coal. Next day he carried it to the nearest settlement. It was sent from there to Philadelphia where it was found to be hard coal. Up to this time people had had only soft coal.

About the time of Philip Ginter's discovery coal was discovered near Pottsville. This find was made by a hunter also. His name was Nicholas Allen. He had been hunting all day and at nightfall he was so far from home that he decided to camp out all night. So he built a fire under a ledge of rocks, and, lying down by it soon fell fast asleep.

He was wakened in the night by the heat and a bright light shining in his eyes. He jumped up to see what caused the heat and light. He found the ledge was burning and thought the whole mountain was on fire. He watched the fire until morning. When he examined the ledge by daylight he saw that it was an outcrop of coal, which had caught fire from his camp fire.

Very often a vein of coal lies in a slanting position with one end at the surface of the earth. This coal at the surface is called an outcrop. If it were not for these outcrops it would be very hard to find the great beds of coal.

In some places where there is no outcrop and yet people think there is coal, they bore a hole deep into the earth to look for it. This costs a great deal of money but coal is often found in this way.

THE KINDS OF COAL AND THEIR USES

Coal is of different kinds. Bituminous, or soft coal can be broken quite easily. It burns with a bright flame like wood, and some kinds of it burn so easily that you can light a lump of it with a match. It throws out a black smoke that blackens everything it touches. This kind of coal is found in nearly every country of the world.

THE STORY OF COAL (continued)

Anthracite, or hard coal, is much harder than bituminous coal. It takes much longer to start a fire with it. It was a long time after soft coal was in use before people knew that anthracite coal would burn. Many attempts were made to use it but people did not understand how to start a hard coal fire. They tried to light it as they had been used to lighting wood or soft coal fires.

Finally blacksmiths found they could burn it in their forges by forcing a current of air through it while burning. It was not until the year 1808 that people found they could use hard coal in grates and stoves.

In 1803 two boat loads of this hard coal were sent down the Lehigh River to the Delaware and floated down the Delaware to Philadelphia. But the people had tried this kind of coal before and had not succeeded in burning it. Now they would not have it at any price.

At last the city authorities agreed to try it in a steam engine which was used at the city waterworks. But all their attempts to make the "stone coal" burn were unsuccessful. They finally gave it up in disgust and said it was a nuisance. What was left of it they ground up and spread on the foot paths of the public grounds instead of gravel.

About ten years after this another boat load of hard coal was sent to Philadelphia. The owners of this coal had handbills printed in English and German telling how to burn it in grates, stoves and forges. The handbills were distributed all over the city.

They put stoves in various places in the city, built fires in them and invited the people to come and watch them. They went into houses and begged to be allowed to make a fire with the new coal. They entered blacksmith shops and bribed the workmen to try their coal.

And thus by hard work they introduced anthracite coal into Philadelphia. The people in the Wyoming Valley had been using it before this and they told their friends about it. It is now preferred to bituminous for household use.

The best and largest anthracite coal fields in the world are found in eastern Pennsylvania. The coal taken out of this region every year sells for more than the yearly production of gold in the United States.

Besides anthracite and bituminous coal there is another kind called cannel coal. It burns with great freedom and gives a bright light. It was first used by the people of England. They called it "candle coal" because it gave such a good light that it took the place of candles, which were about the only means of lighting in those days. This name was soon shortened to cannel.

The chief coal of the world is bituminous or soft coal. It is found in larger beds and in more places than any other kind.

Did you ever hear of a fuel called peat? We do not use it in the United States but if you could go to Ireland you would find many families that burn nothing but peat. It is formed by plants which grew and decayed in the spot where they are now. Other plants grew on them and in turn died and decayed, and so each year brings more plants which form another layer on the decayed mass. Thus peat is formed.

This process has been going on for many years until the peat has become quite thick. Men cut it out in blocks and pile it up in the sun to dry. When it is dried it is ready for use. If it could be covered with earth and left for thousands of years peat would form soft coal.

The chief use of all kinds of coal is for fuel. Cannel coal can be cut with a knife and a kind of jewelry called jet, is made out of it.

THE STORY OF COAL (continued)

Bituminous coal is used in smelting iron. But before it can be used for this purpose, it must be purified. This is done by roasting it in great ovens. Does it not seem strange to speak of roasting coal?

The ovens are built of brick and stone. They look like a row of old fashioned beehives all joined together, and are very large. The coal is put in through a door in the side. When the oven is filled, the door is walled up with fire brick. There is a hole in the top to let out the smoke.

Before the coal was put into the oven, some wood was placed in the bottom. This is now lighted. In about an hour there is a puff like powder, which shows that the coal has caught fire. It is allowed to burn for seventy-two hours. It burns so slowly that it does not go to ashes but only gives off its impurities.

When it has been burning seventy-two hours, it is cooled by pouring cold water in at the top. Then the oven doors are all opened and the coal is dragged out with great iron rakes. But what odd looking stuff it is now! It has lost its black color and is now gray. It is full of holes like a sponge and is very light in weight. It is now called coke.

The coke is loaded into cars and sent to the blast furnaces where it is used in melting iron from the ore. Coke is sometimes used by blacksmiths and bakers because it makes a quick, hot fire.

Coal is used for making the gas with which some of our homes are lighted. In the making of gas other things are produced. One of them is the strong-smelling coal tar. From coal tar the chemist makes a great number of beautiful colors. They are called aniline dyes. The Diamond Dyes, which are sold in every town are aniline dyes.

From the black, ill-smelling tar is also made a snow white waxy substance having neither taste nor smell, called paraffine. It is used for candles. Hartshorn, or ammonia is also made from coal.

How many, many uses coal has. It warms our homes and drives our engines. Made into gas, it lights our streets and houses and sometimes cooks our food. As coke, it melts our iron and other ores. As tar we use it on roofs, on ships, and in making sidewalks, and from it we get the wonderful aniline colors to dye our cotton and woolen goods, and the paraffine to make candles.

We make jet jewelry out of it. Hard coal also contains a silvery substance called sulphur stone. It is used for settings in jewelry. We also obtain from coal hartshorn or ammonia.

THE COAL MINES

Let us visit a coal mine today. We will go to the anthracite region in the northeastern part of Pennsylvania. The chief cities of this coal field are Scranton, Pittston and Wilkes-Barre. There are a great many smaller towns, in fact there is a settlement near every mine.

Nearly all of the coal mines are owned and worked by big coal companies, some of which are the Pennsylvania Coal Company, The Delaware and Hudson Company, the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, and the Lackawanna Company. Each of these coal companies own vast tracts of coal lands. They also buy the coal under other people's land, paying each owner a stated amount for every ton of coal mined under his property. We find some mines that are owned by one man or by a few men and these men are called individual operators.

As we travel through the coal regions we occasionally see a large hole in the side of a hill. These holes lead into the mines and are either tunnels or slopes. A slope is made where the coal crops out on the surface. It follows the vein of coal into the earth. A tunnel is made through the earth to meet the vein
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T A M S R E P O R T

Since many of you NSCA members are also members of TAMS, this brief report is in order.....

Two of our good NSCA members have taken over publication of the TAMS Journal and all due back issues are being prepared for mailing in the near

A note from Paul Cunningham indicates that Issue No. 5 should be in the mail by April 7th. Other issues will follow monthly.. Dave Schenkman and Paul Cunningham will be responsible for TAMS Journal so you can expect interesting and timely issues as they get things under control again for TAMS...

Incidentally, if any other NSCA members would like more information on TAMS, please drop me a note and I will get the info to you along with an application blank !! As noted in previous issues, the organization ran into bulletin problems when Cliff Mishler found it necessary to retire from publication help to the group... The later editors could not keep current due to other interests.. Let's hope that all problems have now been resolved and that TAMS will continue to grow as a token and medal organization..

Token and Medal Society

INCORPORATED

The following information was provided by Scriptor R. R. Tippy and concerns "COAL HILL" the coal mine connected with GLEN MARY COAL & COKE COMPANY, Glen Mary, Tenn. These are the dated tokens (See Edkins Page 163). The article is from a book written by a friend (now deceased) of the Tippy's. Tippy notes that nothing is left of Coal Hill today except ruins of the Powder House and the cemetery.

COAL HILL

"When I went to Coal Hill as a bride in 1907 it was a thriving little mining town of about 2500 to 3000 people, between 800 and 1000 of whom were colored folks.

There was a large company store that would make some of the stores in Oneida sit up and take notice; one could buy anything there from a toothpick to a piano. There were three, large warehouses besides the main store, and deliveries were made with two big, fat mules and a wagon, which was going all the time. Everyone had money, plenty to eat and to wear; and it seems to me that they were much happier than we are now. At least, things were not done in such a hurry.

There was a nice schoolhouse, which was used for a church; a church for colored folks and an Episcopal church that was nicer than any place of worship in the county now. The houses were all nice, clean and comfortable.

My husband was bookkeeper, and then he worked in the store for nine years. All the company men got their house rent and coal free, and 20% off their groceries. There were lots of folks from England, Germany and other countries; they had a large tip house, strictly modern, about halfway between Glenmary and Coal Hill.

The Southern Railroad ran a track from Glenmary up to the tip house, and the coal was hauled from the mines by two dinghy engines. I don't know how much they hauled a day, but the little trains went all day; and the cars they pulled held, I think, a ton or more. The coal was pulled out of the mines in three one-ton cars by mules and then hooked all together - some twenty-five or thirty- and pulled by the dinghys to the tip house. You think the tip house at Oneida is a 'honey' but the one at Coal Hill was three or four times as large, where the coal was weighed and sorted into different grades.

They also had several coke ovens down below the tip house. I cannot tell you much about them, as they had quit using them when I went there, but at one time they shipped lots of coke as well as coal.

The company store bought most of its furniture, hardware, shoes, groceries and dry goods from Cincinnati, some from Chattanooga. Things were shipped by train to Glenmary and then hauled up to Coal Hill. Most of the company who owned the mines at that time lived in Cincinnati and in Lexington, Ky. When my husband was working in the store he said they thought they had had a poor day when they took in less than \$1000 or \$1100. Many people traded at Glenmary claiming the company store was too high. Glenmary was no 'slouch' of a town at that time, either: it had several stores, a nice depot and a large planing mill where they made hardwood flooring and other things, and worked 150 men. There were houses for everybody, including two hotels and several boarding houses.

At Coal Hill the colored folks all lived in one part of the town and the white folks in another, some of the former, however, living down at Glenmary. The Negroes had a colored barber, who lived halfway between Coal Hill and Glenmary; he served both colored and whites, was a nice man and a good barber.

The colored preacher also was a nice man; his name was Turner. Every once in a while we would visit the Negro church to hear the singing; and it was wonderful.

At Coal Hill there was a picnic ground and a large platform for dancing; also a string band. They always had a picnic and a dance every 4th of July and Labor Day and had stands that sold lemonade, homemade ice cream and homemade cake.

And I guess a little moonshine 'on the side' - probably a lot of it - as they had what they called 'blind jacks' at the Halfway and at Glenmary; both were considered very dangerous places, and only the drinking class 'messed around' them.

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COAL HILL (continued)

The company had a big barn where they kept their horses and some forty or fifty mules. On one side of town was a large pond to which they rode their mules when they came from the mines to wash them off. There was also a company horse and buggy, which we all used. The company paid off every two weeks, the payroll being sent from the office in Cincinnati by train to Glenmary, where the manager and a colored man drove down with high-powered rifles to get it, and never, while I lived there, was there a holdup.

We also had a good company doctor while I was there, the late Dr. Henry Carr, who afterward moved to Harriman. He and the company each had a nice office. They didn't cut all the big trees in town and around the company's office and the houses; the street going into town was two hundred feet wide, each side lined with big, beautiful trees. The people walked on each side, and through the middle was a public road for horses, wagons, etc. Most all those big trees are cut down now and strip miners have ruined the looks of the whole countryside by stripping coal. I have been told by people who know that there is lots of coal in those big hills yet. "

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A GOOD SCIP COLLECTION TO SELL IN FUTURE MAIL SALES !!

IF YOUR COLLECTION IS FOR SALE BRING IT TO BLUEFIELD FOR MY OFFER
IN CASH OR WILL TAKE ON CONSIGNMENT SO THAT 500 COLLECTORS CAN
MAKE A BID OFFER !!

Walter Caldwell, Box 29, Fayetteville, West Virginia 25840

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BID SHEET FOR BLUEFIELD CONVENTION AUCTION SALE

DO NOT USE FOR REGULAR MAIL AUCTION SALE - USE BID SHEET ATTACHED FOR REGULAR SALE

Please enter the following bids for me at Bluefield Convention as listed
on attached Sale Listing for Friday, April 29, 1983.... Bids must be in
Walter Caldwell's office by April 25, 1983....

LOT NUMBER: _____ BID _____ LOT NUMBER: _____ BID _____

NAME: _____
MAIL ADDRESS: _____

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COLONEL CALDWELLS

MAIL AUCTION SALE

SALE NUMBER 86

CLOSING DATE :

MAY 27, 1983

Minimum Bid is \$1 per token !! Earliest post-mark wins on tie bids !! We reserve the right to withdraw all lots !! Bid in increments of 5¢ only ! Note that some lots have a minimum bid as "MB \$"

SPECIAL CONSIGNMENT OF UNLISTED ITEMS:

LOT NO.

1. (Marfrance WV) Margarette Coal Co. WV1787 - \$1 Lg M cut ISC1 - MB \$20.
2. Same as Lot 1 - UL 25¢ - WV1787 - Lg M cut ISC1 - MB \$20.
3. Same as Lot 1 - UL 5¢ - WV1787 - Lg M cut - copper red - ISC1 - MB \$20.
4. Same as Lot 1 above - MB \$20.
5. Same as Lot 2 above - MB \$20.
6. (Marfrance WV) - UL 5¢ - 22mm - Nipl - Medium M cut - ISC2 type - MB \$20.
7. Same as Lot 6 - UL 1¢ - Medium M cut - ISC2 type - MB \$20.

Note: Consignor has been offered \$15. each for this entire lot of tokens so the MB is realistic and has been designed to include selling commission, etc.

8. Same as Lot 7 above - MB \$20.
9. Same as Lot 7 above - MB \$20.
10. Same as Lot 7 except 18mm - 1¢ - Large M cut - ISC2 mfg - MB \$20.
11. (Malco WV) - Devils Fork Post & Lumber - 10¢ - wm - 21 mm - sd - MB \$10.
12. Same as Lot 11 except 25¢ - br - 24mm - MB \$25. - Anybody know of a second one ??
13. (Kermit WV) - Earlston Coal - UL 5¢ - WV1501 - wm - 19mm - backward E cut - MB \$10.
14. (Kermit WV) - Upland Coal & Coke - UL 25¢ - 899 WV - br - ICS mfg - sd - MB \$15.
15. (Merrimac, WV) - Merrimac Coal - WV1885 - UL 100 - 35mm - wm - MB \$25.
16. (Madrid, New Mexico) - Madrid Supply - NM1739 1¢ - red copper - 18mm - MB \$15.
17. (Eskdale, WV) - A. Joseph (c/s Nat. Bit. Coal) - UL 10¢ 22mm - br - MB \$25.
18. (Eskdale, WV) - A. Joseph - 5¢ - br - 19mm - MB \$25.
19. (Artie, WV) - Linus Williams (Lumber) \$1 - 39mm - br - MB \$20 (sold for \$21 - Sale 72)
20. (Ansted, WV) - Gauley Mtn. Coal - UL 5¢ - WV93 - backward "Z" cut - MB \$10.
21. (Superior, WV) - Lake Superior Coal Co. - WV2723 - THIRTY SEVEN all diff pcs - you might think it is common but do YOU have 37 all diff from this company ? MB \$50.
22. (Cranberry, WV) Cranberry Fuel - 683WV - \$1 - A type cut - MB \$13. (csEjamx11)

CONTINUING WITH THE WV COLLECTOR'S SELL OUT STARTED IN LAST ISSUE:

23. St. Charles Va - Benedict Coal Corp - 2495Q5; Q10; T25; T50; T100 (5 pcs)
24. Pennington Gap, VA - King Cole Mining - 2205J5; K10; J25; I50; J100 (5 pcs)
25. Jewell Ridge VA - Jewell Ridge Coal - 1449F500; F100; F50; F25; F10; F5; F1 (7 pcs)
26. Tinsley, KY - Harlan Industrial Collieries - 2793G100; G50; G25; G10; G5; H1 (6 pcs)
27. Stanfill KY - Mahan Ellison Coal - 2651C100b; C50; C25; C10; D5 (5 pcs)
28. Seco KY - South East Coal Company - 2545B100; B50; B25; B10; B5 (5 pcs)
29. Sabine, WV - Belle Mead Coal Co. - 2489A100; A50; B25; B10; B5; C5; C1 (7 pcs)
30. Pee Vee, KY - C. E. Flanary Store - 2197B50; B25; B10; B5 (4 pcs)
31. Dawson Springs KY - Dawson Daylight Coal - 753B100; B50; A25; B10; B5; C1 (6 pcs)
32. Bland KY - R.C. Tway Coal Co. - 301A50; A25; A10; A5 (4 pcs)
33. Anchor, KY - R. C. Tway Coal Co. - 87C50; C25; C10; C5 (4 pcs)

✓✓✓ COLONEL CALDWELL'S MAIL AUCTION SALE NUMBER 86 - CLOSING DATE MAY 27, 1983 ✓✓✓

34. Benton - W. Frankfort IL - Youngs Mercantile - 223A100; A50; A25; A10; A5; A1 (6 pcs)
35. Rainelle WV - Rainelle Supply Co - 1c alum 5c thru \$1 - br - UL g/f (6 pcs)
36. Rainelle WV - Rainelle Dept. Store - 1c al - 5c thru \$1 br - UL G/F (6 pcs)
37. Duo, WV - Duo Supply Company - UL 5c thru \$1 - matched 04 nd (5 pcs)
38. Beckley, WV - Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine - 5c thru \$1 - ISC2 dies rev - AU -
39. Winding Gulf WV - Winding Gulf Coals Inc. - 3061E100; E50; E25; E10; E5; E1 (6 pcs)
40. Wyco, WV - Wyoming Coal Company - 3101A100; A50 worn; B25 worn; A10; B5; C1a (6 pcs)
41. Vivian, WV - Peerless Coal & Coke - 2913C100; C50; C25; C10 worn; H5 (5 pcs)
42. Skelton, WV - The New River Co. - 2599G100; G50; G25; G10; G5 (5 pcs)
43. Scarbro, WV - The New River Co. - 2531F500; F100; F50; F25; F10; F5; F1 (7 pcs)
44. Ansted, WV - Gauley Mtn Coal Co. - 9301 - red fiber - worn - Z cut -
***** csGcrotx22 *****
45. Amherstdale WV - Amherst Coal Co. 81H5; K5; H10; K10; H25; H50; H100 (7 pcs)
Town wiped out by Buffalo Creek Flood sometime back - historical set !
46. Anco, KY - Knott Coal Corporation - 89B100 - bright red copper - old ICS mfg
47. Beaver Dam, KY - Beaver Dam Coal Co - 185A5
48. Dawson Springs, KY - Dawson Daylight Coal - 753B5; B10; B25; B50; B100; C1 (6 pcs)
49. Lundale, WV - Logan County Coal - 1697N5 thru N100 (5 pcs) another town in the flood
50. Lundale, WV - Same except H500 (1946) and M500 (1947) - got both \$5's ??
51. Lundale, WV - Same except N500 (1946); O500 (1947); P500 (1948) - R cuts - got 'em ?
52. Lundale, WV - Same except 1697H5 thru H100 (5 pcs) Above four lots makes a good set !!
53. Lyburn, WV - Lyburn Mines Inc. - 1703F100 ISC2 - AU cond
54. Mary Alice, KY - 1805A50 55. Ridgeview Coal Co. 2401C100 AU
56. Devonia, TN - Trimore Coal Corp. - 783C5 thru C100 - **SET 5 pcs - AU cond
57. Harlan, KY - Elcomb Coal Company - 1231I25; I50; I100 (3 pcs) Fine
58. Powellton, WV - Logan Powellton Coal - 545G100 -
===== csJsebx1 =====
59. Coalwood, WV - Carter Coal Co. - MX 53 - PICK COAL - Mfg by Orco - nicks & bends
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60. Evarts KY - Harcrow Mines 975I5 thru I100 (5 pcs)
61. Burnwell, WV Imperial Coll Co 421C10b 62. Jos Morrone Rivesville WV 2415A1; A10;
A25; A50; A100 (5 pcs)
63. Jos Morrone Rivesville WV 2415B10; B25;
B50; B100 (4 pcs) 64. Kanawha Coals Inc Hugheston WV 1365D1a;
C5 thru C100 (6 pcs)
65. Koppers Stores Inc Beards Fork WV
177G5a; G5b; C10; G25 (4pcs) 66. Liberty Trading Co. Madera, PA 1733D5
thru D100 (5 pcs)
67. Oglebay Norton Kayford WV 2713A1 thru
A500 (7 pcs) 68. Preston County Supply Cascade WV 503A1
thru A100 (6 pcs)
69. Pioneer Coal Co. Malden WV 1757A5 thru
A100 (5 pcs) 70. Powhatan C & C Powhatan WV 2271A100 photo
of Indian MB \$4.
71. Raven Red Ash Coal Co. Inc., Red Ash VA - 2363B5; B10b; C25; A50a damaged; C100 (5 pcs)
72. Seneca Stores Co Ronceverte WV 2453A5; A10; A50; A100 (4 pcs)
73. Stanley Coal Co Crelin MD 695B5 thru B100 (5 pcs)
74. Otsego, WV - Brule Smokeless Coal Co. - 2145G5 thru G100 (5 pcs)
75. Otsego, WV - Same except 2145H5; H10; H100 (3 pcs)
76. Carbon WV - Carbon Fuel Co. - 469C1; D1; C25; C50; C100; A500; B500 (7 pcs)
77. Jodie WV - Gauley Mtn Coal 1455B100; E500 78. Lorado WV The Lorado Stores 1677C1
79. Lorado WV - The Lorado Store 1677G1a M cut 80. Lorado WV - The Lorado Store 1677D1;
D10; D100 (3 pcs)
81. Logan WV - Snap Creek Coal Co 1661H1 82. Velva ND - Truax Traer Lignite Coal Co.
2891B5
83. Wallins KY Wallins Creek Coal 2929A5a;
A1C; A25a (3 pcs) 84. Graham KY W G Duncan Coal 1157A5; A100



I HIT THE JACKPOT

AT THE BLUEFIELD SHOW A SMALL SUPPLY OF VERY DESIRABLE COAL SCRIP WAS PURCHASED BY THE JANITOR....

IT IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE - AT FIXED PRICES - WHILE THE SUPPLY LASTS !!

The early buyers get the best condition pieces!!

The Ennis Coal Co., Hiawatha (Mercer Co.) W.Va. operated from 1915 to 1936 and this scrip has been in storage for many years according to the seller. As will be noted in Edkins, many of the pieces are previously UNLISTED !! The listed items had rarity listings of R8 and R 10.. This recent discovery will change the rarity values somewhat and they are being sold on this basis !! Get your order in today - do not miss out !!

Ennis Coal Co. (WV 1315)

- A. 5 PIECE SET - ONLY NINE SETS AVAILABLE - WV1315 F5; F10; F25; F50; (Orco 1)
PLUS: UNLISTED IS14 \$1.00 (No Orco \$1 known)..... \$ 40.00
- B. 4 PIECE SET - Same as A except NO 5¢ - \$ 25.00
- C. 5 PIECE SET - WV 1315 G5; G10; G25; G50 (previously unlisted except 5¢) -
PLUS: UNLISTED IS14 \$1.00..... (Orco 2) \$ 30.00

ENNIS C. & C. CO., Hiawatha, W.Va.

- D. 3 PIECES - Previously unlisted - 1315 E25; E50; PLUS IS14 \$1 \$ 25.00 (ICS)
- E. 3 PIECES - ONLY NINE DEALS AVAILABLE - WV1315 IS14 25¢; 50¢; \$1... \$ 30.00
- F. 2 PIECES - 1315 IS14 50¢ and \$1.00 (Previously unlisted) \$ 15.00
- G. 1 PIECE - 1315 IS14 - \$1.00 - While they last !! \$ 6.00

AMERICAN COAL CO. - MC COMAS (Mercer Co.) - (Do NOT confuse with American Coal at other locations - See Page 342 - Edkins catalog !)

- H. FIVE PIECE MATCHED SET - 1837 A5; A10; A25; A50; A100 \$ 15.00

Please send me the following items: (Please order by LETTER as indicated)

Amount enclosed \$ _____

Signed: _____

Address: _____

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Box 29 -

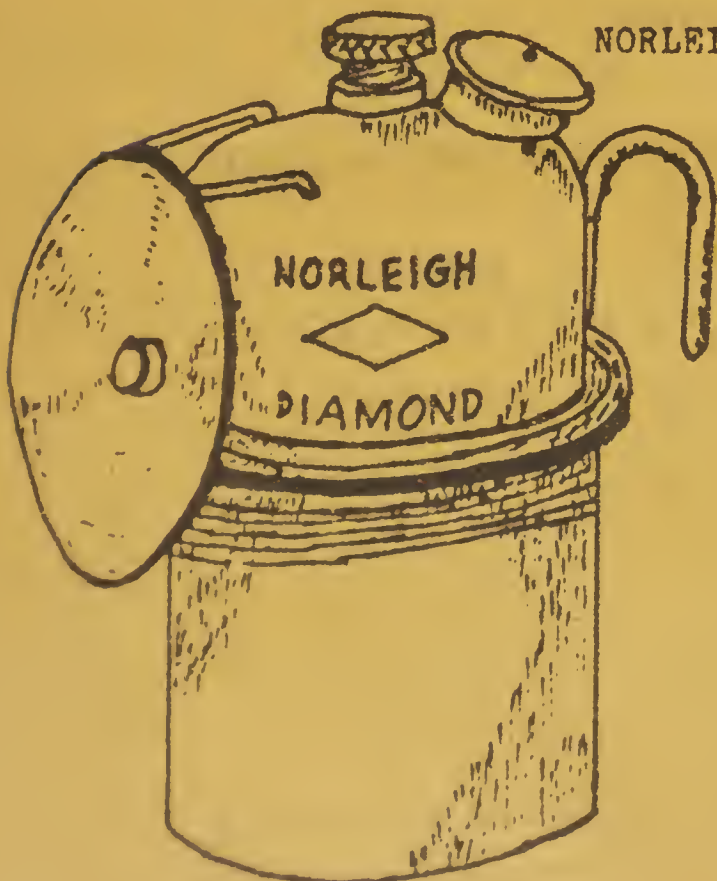
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CARBIDE CAP LAMP TRADE NAMES

The list below contains trade-names which may be found on miner's cap lamps. The mark might vary or even be omitted (unmarked), but this list is probably the most complete name reference of interest to collectors. Many thanks go to Henry Pohs, who started the mine lamp registry several years ago. Most of this list is from his efforts.

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| ABERCROMBIE & FITCH | GUYANDOTTE | SCRANTO |
| AMERICAN LAMP | GUY'S DROPPER | SCRANTON |
| ANTON | HANSEN | SHANKLIN MFG CO |
| ARNOLD'S CARBIDE CANDLE | HARDSOCC | SHANKLIN METAL PRODUCTS |
| ARROW | E. M. HAW | JOHN SIMMONS |
| AUTO-LITE | IMPERIAL | S. E. SIMMONS |
| BALDWIN | I-T-P | SNELL LAMP |
| BEALE BROS | JUSTRITE | SPRINGFIELD |
| BLACK DIAMOND | LU-MI-NUM | SQUARELITE |
| BRITE LITE | MAPLE CITY | STANDARD |
| BUDDY | MASCOUAT | STEINDROPPER |
| DAYLIGHT | MAUMEE DUPLEX | SUNRAY |
| DEFENDER | MILBURN | SURE-LITE |
| DRYLITE | NI-BA | THE BUDDY |
| ELKHORN | NORLEIGH DIAMOND | UNION CARBIDE |
| EVER-READY | OSHKOSH | VICTOR |
| FORCE FEED | PATHFINDER | WHAT CHEER |
| FULTON | POCAHONTAS | WOLF |
| FUNK BROS | RED STAR | X-RAY |
| GEE-BEE | S & S | ZAR |
| GEM | SCHNEIDER'S | |
| GRIER BROS | SCOBY | |

***** FEATURE *****



NORLEIGH DIAMOND Carbide Cap Lamp

Last year, NSCA president, Bill Williams, turned up a new name for the carbide lamp register. The "NORLEIGH DIAMOND" is all brass except for the steel reflector. The water-valve knob, the threaded water door, and the permanent reflector are features which date this lamp before 1920. The base threads outside of the water tank and is of the same style as the Beale Bros., Maple City, and several other lamps. The DIAMOND has not been attributed to a manufacturer but is assumed to originate from Monmouth, Il. The lamp is now in the collection of Paul L. Kouts.

NORLEIGH DIAMOND (TN1+BNO) Very Rare

BLUEFIELD FRAGMENTS

BY: George R. Hohmann
Fairmont, West Va.

He had a set of scrip that I wanted, but I didn't have much money left. I had, in fact, just enough money for a sandwich and gas for the trip back home. But I thought I would ask about his set anyway.

It cost \$45.00.

I sighed, made a note, and said I would be in touch. He said he might not have the set later, but if he did -- and I wanted it -- the set would cost me \$90.00, or a trade.

I had a sandwich and paid for the gas home and I am still living without that set.

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He believes in short-term gains! But he reaps long-term losses.

Everything he has is super and his material carries super prices. He has been a scrip collector/dealer for a long time, so when he says it is rare, he must be right. Right?

But more comes out over time. It is not his fault. Scrip just has a way of surfacing. (If you do not believe this, tell the world you have just paid \$75.00 for a piece, and watch the hoards spring up like mushrooms). But that is not his fault. He believes in short-term gains. And he knows there is another potential short-term gain born every minute.

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His research is thorough and the quality of his publications is first class. The result is lots of quiet admiration and loud jealousy.

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He offered to let me share his room. After all, he noted, he was but one, and the room had two beds. We were both up until the wee hours, visiting with other scriptors. When we did meet again back at the room, hardly a word was spoken.

I awoke to a cold can of orange juice -- a welcome treat after the previous evening of too many cigarettes. He thrust the OJ into my hand and was gone. After all, trading began at 8 a.m., and it was ten 'til.

Later, on the trading floor, I handed him my room key and what I figured was half of the room cost. He took the key but refused the money. I insisted; he refused. So naturally, I spent the room money on scrip. As soon as I got home, I wrote him a thank you note.

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We shared a ride to the meet and back. We shared the glee of kids on vacation !!

We did not think about work and stress and everyday hassles for two full days. Well, that is not quite true. The subject was brought up from time to time, but it seemed so far away, so irrelevant.

Scrip was on our minds. We looked at scrip until it all began to run together and we couldn't remember what scrip we had seen and what scrip we hadn't seen and we were

"TRACKING DOWN SOME HISTORY"

BY: Scriptor Richard Coy
Spartanburg, S. C.

It all started when I purchased a group of tokens a couple of years ago. Among them was a coal token from West Virginia, which I looked at and then set aside for study at a later time.

Someone at the next NSCA meeting could surely identify and tell me something about it. Therefore, the token traveled with me to the May 1982 NSCA meeting in Beckley, W. Va. After several inquiries, I soon came to the conclusion that not much was known about the coal company or the town which the piece of scrip represented.

The token reads: GOOD IN MERCHANDISE/FOR/5¢/AT/GUYAN COAL CO./STORE/
HADLEY, WVA. 5 (SURROUNDED BY RAYS)

A few of the collectors commented that the token looked old and that the town name was probably mis-spelled. In all likelihood the town was Handley since this was a listing in Edkins' Catalogue. There is not any listing for a Hadley, W. Va. Neither is there a listing for the Guyan Coal Co. Store in Dodrill's "20,000 Coal Company Stores". Several others viewed the token and likewise knew nothing about it, but one fellow collector/dealer remarked that Dodrill's book omitted several coal companies, especially any prior to 1903 and that the town could very well be as stamped on the token. It was becoming very evident that no one knew about this particular company nor the town. As is usually the case, everyone wanted to be of help, however this only led to much speculation. Whether or not this piqued my interest for finding out some thing about the company and town which the token represented, I don't really know. Whatever the reason, my interest was sparked to the point of continuance.

Within a few weeks after returning from the NSCA meeting, I paid a visit to the West Virginia History Room of the W. Va. University library. Looking through several of the Polk Business Directories for a listing of the Guyan Coal Co. produced no results. Nor did a study of West Virginia Heritage Encyclopedia produce any information on a town by the name of Hadley.

The failure still did not diminish my interest. I thought if I could establish a time period when the token was made, I could possibly have been more successful in my visit to the library. Then I recalled Stuart Brown's book - SCRIP: there was information, along with pictures in it on the various token manufacturers. Sure enough the token was similar to those produced by Dorman. This company was listed as being in business as Dorman Stencil and Stamps Works from 1874 to 1891 and as the J.F.W. Dorman Company in business from 1851 to 1903.

Being narrowed to a period of 1874 to 1903 I returned to the library and began to search through all of the dozen or so Polk directories which were issued during this period. Not having any success after searching through the books up to 1903, I decided to look through some of the later issues.

There in the 1904-1905 Volume IX issue on page 347 was a listing for the Guyan Coal Co. in Hadley, W.Va. The 1906-1907 issue was the last to list the town of Hadley, W.Va. however there was not any listing for the Guyan Coal Co. Apparently, the company was only in business for the years 1904 and 1905.

One of the R. L. Polk and Company's West Virginia State Gazette and Business Directory had this to say about Hadley, W.Va. - "Hadley - A post office on the Guyandot Valley branch of the C & O Ry. in Lincoln County, 10 miles south of Hamlin, the county seat, and 28 from Huntington, the nearest bank location."

Biblio. 1) Edkins Catalogue by Donald O. Edkins 2) 20,000 Coal Company Stores by Gordon Dodrill 3) West Virginia State Gazette and Business Directory, R.L. Polk and Company, various issues 1830 through 1926 4) Series-The West Virginia Heritage Encyclopedia 5)Scrip, Stuart E. Brown, Jr., 1978

Since researching the company and town I have acquired from a mid-western collector a one dollar token from this company. Possibly a complete set could have been issued.

(Ed. Note: Will attempt to photo copy a picture of token on another page. W.C.)

As we travel through the coal regions we occasionally see a large hole in the side of a hill. These holes lead into the mines and are either tunnels or slopes. A slope is made where the coal crops out on the surface. It follows the vein of coal into the earth. A tunnel is made through the earth to meet the vein at right angles. Tunnels and slopes can only be used where the coal lies near the surface.

Yonder is a tunnel. Let us go nearer and examine it carefully. As we approach we see a mule coming out of the tunnel. Pretty soon a little car filled with coal comes into sight. The mule is pulling the car out of the mine. Now we can see that there is a little railroad upon which the car runs.

There is a boy to drive the mule. He must take the car to that large black looking building called the breaker. There the coal will be broken up and prepared for market. He must also bring empty cars to the miners. He is called a driver boy.

Now we are standing on the little railroad at the mouth of the tunnel. What are those little points of light away back in the tunnel? They look like fire-flies and seem to be coming toward us. As they come nearer we see that they are little tin lamps fastened to the hats of some men who are approaching. As the men come out of the tunnel they take off their hats and blow out the lights.

What queer looking men they are ! Their clothes, faces and hands and even their hair are covered with oil and coal dust. They wear heavy shoes with large headed nails all over the soles. Some carry water cans slung over their backs. Others have tin dinner pails with a place in the top to hold tea, coffee or water to drink while at work, as the water found in the mines is not good to drink..

Now they see us. One of them is coming to speak to us. He looks so black and dirty that we are half afraid of him. As he talks to us we forget our fear. He tells us that there are now three ways to enter the anthracite mines: the tunnel, the slope, and the shaft.

The slope is the cheapest and simplest way to open a mine. This way can only be used where the coal comes out on the surface. Tunnels and sometimes slopes have large timbers placed along the sides and across the top to keep the earth from caving in.

Nearly all of the mines of the anthracite region are entered by means of a shaft the coal in most places being too deep in the earth for slopes or tunnels. A shaft is a large hole deep in the earth. It is generally about twelve feet wide and thirty feet long and is sunk into the earth until coal is reached. Shafts are from two hundred to over fifteen hundred feet deep.

The shaft is generally divided from top to bottom into four parts. One is called the pumpway and contains pipes through which mine water is pumped to the surface. So much water soaks through the earth and drops into the mines that if it were not pumped out the mine would soon be flooded.

Next to the pumpway come two carriageways.

The carriage is very much like an elevator with a little railroad track running across its floor. Both men and coal cars are brought in and out of the mines on the carriages. Near the shaft is the engine house where a stationary engine furnishes the power by which the carriages are hoisted and lowered.

Next to the carriage way is the airway. Just over the airway there is a large wheel with paddles on it like a windmill. It is called a fan. It is kept turning round and round very fast all the time and draws the bad air out of the mines. The miners would not get pure air enough to live if it were not for the fan.

Our miner tells us all this and a great deal more which we do not understand very well, as he uses many words which are new to us. At last he asks us if we would not like to go into the mine and see all the strange sights for ourselves.

THE STORY OF COAL (Continued)

We eagerly accept his invitation and ask if we cannot go down in one of the carriages. He says he is one of the mine foremen and so he can take us in that way if we wish to go. As we come near the shaft we are much interested in watching the big fan going round and round. Our guide tells us that it is kept turning all the time even when there is no one in the mine. There is a fence around the carriageway. We pass through the gate and step upon the carriage and begin to descend quite rapidly into the darkness.

We go down, down, down until we think we must be nearly through to China, when the carriage stops gently and we step out. We are each given one of the little tin mine lamps. The little railroad track on the carriage fits into one in the mine so that the little coal cars can be run on the carriage and hoisted to the surface where they are run off on a similar track to the breaker. These cars hold from one and one-half to two tons.

We follow the railroad track down a passageway, which our guide tells us is the main road of the mine, and which is called a gangway. Pretty soon we turn off into another road. Here is a door which is opened for us by a boy. He is called a doorboy and his work is to open the door to let cars or people pass through and to keep it closed at all other times. If it were not for this door the air would pass out into the gangway and be drawn up by the fan before it had reached the miner at his work.

Our guide tells us that we are now entering a chamber. The huge walls of coal on each side of us are called pillars. On the other side of the pillar there is another chamber. The pillars are from twenty-five to sixty feet long and generally from fourteen to twenty feet thick. This coal must be left in the mine to support the roof. We see many large posts. They are called props and help to hold up the roof.

Now we hear someone singing. Our guide tells us it is a driver boy. He bids us step to one side of the track as he will soon be along with his mule taking a car of coal to the foot of the shaft.

Just as we step aside we see the outline of a shaggy head looming out of the darkness. Then as it comes nearer, our lights reveal the mule, the car and the boy. They soon pass us and the darkness swallows them up.

In some mines there are stables for the mules. These poor creatures never see daylight except once in a great while when they are sent out to pasture for a few weeks. At some of the collieries there are large barns built near the breaker for the mules. Then each driver boy must go to the barn for his mule in the morning and bring him back when his work is done.

In years gone by women and little girls and boys worked in the mines of Scotland and England. In some places the seams of coal were not more than from twenty to thirty inches high. In these low places little children from six to eight years old had to drag the coal to the foot of the shaft. They were harnessed to little cars by chains fastened to belts about their waists, and they crawled along through the low tunnels on their hands and knees.

Women and big girls dragged a sort of sledge or carried the coal in baskets on their backs. In 1872 a law was passed in England forbidding the employment of women and children in the mines but boys of ten and twelve years old may work in the low seams.

We have been walking up the chamber while our guide tells us these stories and are now near some men who are at work digging out the 'black diamonds' as coal is sometimes called. We learn that each chamber is worked by one or two miners who have from two to four laborers to help them.

The car we just passed was filled by these men. We now notice for the first time that the railroad in the chamber has wooden rails. We are told that steel rails would cost too much as after the chamber is worked out it would not pay to remove them, besides, the wooden rails are much lighter and are put into place by the laborers.

THE STORY OF COAL (Continued)

The miners are busy getting out coal for the next car. One of them is drilling a hole in the coal. He uses a hand drill called a drilling machine. He makes a hole from three to six feet deep. Now the hole is deep enough and he takes out the drill and drops a cartridge filled with powder into the hole. Then he puts in his needle, a slender iron rod about five feet long and pointed at one end. He sticks the point into one end of the cartridge. Then he packs the hole around the needle full of coal dust from the floor. As the mines are very damp, this dust is quite wet. This he calls tamping the hole.

He now carefully withdraws the needle and a little hole is left in to the powder. He places a squib in the mouth of the hole. This is a little strawlike tube about six inches long filled with powder and having a fuse at one end. When it is lighted it runs into the hole and lights the cartridge which explodes and brings down the coal.

As soon as he puts in the squib he tells us to go back. We all hurry down the chamber and place ourselves behind a pillar. Pretty soon the miner joins us. We wonder what is going to happen. We soon find out for there is a loud explosion. It startles us so that we drop our lamps. By the time our friend has found and lighted them for us the miners have gone to work.

We go to watch them for a little while. The explosion that we heard was caused by the 'shot' which we had seen the miners put in. It had blown down a great deal of coal which the laborers are breaking into lumps that they can handle and load into the car.

They tell us that this is their last car for the day. The miners must now set a prop and then their day's work is done and one of them may go home. The other must remain until the laborers are through. They must load the car and clear up the chamber so that it will be ready for work the next day.

There are hundreds of similar chambers in the mine where the same kind of work is being done.

A man called the mine boss has charge of all the work. There is a fire boss whose duty it is to go through every part of the mine every morning before the miners come in, to see if the mines are in a safe condition.

If he finds any dangerous gases in the mine, the men are not allowed to go in until the gases are drawn out by the air currents. The gases come out of the coal and may form in the mine at any time.

Some of them will explode if a naked lamp is carried into them, so the fire boss always carries a safety lamp. This lamp has the flame covered with a fine wire screen and anyone used to the mines can tell when there is any gas by the way the safety lamp acts.

If there is a little gas, the flame becomes longer. If there is much gas it enters the lamp and burns with a blue flame. In spite of the care of the fire boss many accidents occur from the explosion of gas in the mines. Sometimes in boring a hole a miner lets out a quantity of gas. This is called 'fire damp' or simply gas.

As soon as it touches the flame of his lamp it catches fire and explodes with terrific force, hurling men, mules, coal, cars and props into a confused mass. If there happens to be only a little gas it will not explode but burn with a blue flame. It is lighter than air and rises to the roof in a few minutes burns out.

As it burns out it causes the after damp which lies near the floor and causes a stupor to fall upon anyone who breathes it. This stupor is soon followed by death. Then there is the black damp and the white damp. They are not explosive and affect the men like the after damp.

If the miner discovers a small amount of gas before his lamp lights it, he will fan it out, or as he says, 'brush it out' with his coat. The danger from gases is only one of the many dangers that surround miners. Sometimes the roof falls and

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and injures or kills them. The fall of roof may happen in one chamber while all around is perfectly safe or the roof may come down over an area of from forty to fifty acres.

Such an accident occurred in a Carbondale mine in 1846 and another in the Twin mine at Pittston in 1895. In the Twin mine disaster many men including nearly all the bosses lost their lives. As soon as it was possible to enter the mine a rescue party went down to see if they could find anyone alive, but tons of rock and coal barred their way and they soon saw that no one could have lived through the dreadful disaster.

So they went to the mule stables which in this mine are underground. Several days had passed since anyone had been able to bring food or water to these creatures. One of them, however, was quite able to take care of himself. He had dragged a whole bale of hay away and hidden it behind a pillar. Here the men found him contentedly eating his dinner while his companions were starving.

Another source of danger to mines is the breaking of the cable. This is a large wire rope which holds the carriage in place while it is being lowered or hoisted. If this cable breaks and, as sometimes happens, the safety appliances do not work, the carriage falls to the foot of the shaft. In such an event all men on the carriage are killed.

These and many other dangers surround miners but they are generally a brave set of men. Many never think of danger and prefer mining to any other work.

We now leave the mine and go over to the breaker. There is a little engine to take the cars from the shaft to the breaker, which is a very large building and looks something like the large grain elevators of the Central States. It has many windows. The entire building inside and outside is black with coal dust and everyone employed in it is as black as the miners we have just left.

When the coal leaves the mine it is in all sizes and much slate is mixed through it. In the breaker it is broken up, graded according to size, and the slate and rock picked out.

The car of coal is taken first to the top room of the breaker. Here the coal is dumped into a chute. It falls down between the great iron rollers which break it up. Then it passes over wire screens the meshes of which are of various sizes. This separates the coal into several sizes, each size as it drops through the screen passes off into a chute by itself.

Over these chutes are benches for the breaker boys. These boys must pick out all the pieces of slate as the coal passes them. They are called slate-pickers. They hold the coal back with their feet so that they can find all the pieces of slate. They throw the slate into a chute by their side and it runs out of the breaker and is taken away to the culm pile.

After the slate is picked out the coal runs down the chutes into large bins called pockets. They are directly over the railroad. The cars can be run under them and filled with coal.

Each size of coal has a name, the largest being grate coal, then in the order of size comes stove, chestnut, pea, buckwheat and rice. The rice coal is very fine and is used chiefly in manufacturing plants.

The dust and culm is dumped upon the culm pile. These piles soon grow very large and look very ugly. Many pieces of good coal are accidentally thrown in with the slate. The poor people living near the breaker come and pick it out of the culm and carry it to their homes.

There are more than one hundred and twenty thousand square miles of workable coal beds in the United States, about five hundred square miles being anthracite and the rest bituminous coal. We wished to make our visit to the anthracite mine because



Don't miss Richard Coy's store on Guyan Coal Co. token pictured...

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far greater skill and judgment are required to mine anthracite coal than bituminous.

In the bituminous mines the chambers are called rooms and the mine cars, wagons. Each wagon will hold a little more than a ton and a mule will draw four wagons. In some of the mines small locomotives are used instead of mules.

Bituminous coal is ready for market when it leaves the mine. It is not sent to a breaker but is broken up by the laborers in the mine. The bituminous mines are entered mostly by slopes, though there are also many shafts.

Some mines are lighted by electricity and in some breakers machinery has taken the place of the slate pickers, but these improvements are not generally used yet.

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BLUEFIELD FRAGMENTS: (Continued)

engulfed in scrip talk and scrip trades and scrip hoards and scrip deals and scrip lost and found.

We talked about scrip all of the way home. The next week, I wrote him a note about scrip. He called me about scrip. We marked our calendars for the next scrip meet. We added scrip to our collections, withdrew some funds from our money banks, and added a big weekend of good times to our memory banks. Oh, yes: We also mentioned scrip to all of our work-a-day friends who would listen to our tales.

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Cindy Grellman 670 Korina St. Vandenberg AFB, CA 93437

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TRADE VIRGINIA MERCHANT H.G. Rose (25¢ MMI) Pound, Va. For: Va. 149 UL 50¢ or UL 1.00 ICS. Also if you have scrip for sale, send a list. Roger B. Slusher, 3405 W. 2nd Ave., Belle, WV 25015

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SCRIP FOR SALE - BLACK DIAMOND COAL CO. Drakesboro, Ky. Paper - cardstock set of 8 pieces for \$14.00 or individual pieces for \$1.50 each. Set contains a 50¢, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$5.00 and \$10.00 pieces. Write: Bill McKinney, Route 2 Box 165, Lewisburg, KY 42256

FOR TRADE: W.Va. 177HD1 - 459B5 - 469C25-C50 - 551C1 - 969A10 - 1081B10 - 1399F5 - 1597C5 - 1757A5-A25 - 1759H5-H25 - 1761C10 - 2205F5 - 2283G5-10 - 2311C25 - 2423A5-A10. Want coal, transportation, prison and sales tax tokens. Bob Kelley, 6315 Parkview, Mason, OH 45040

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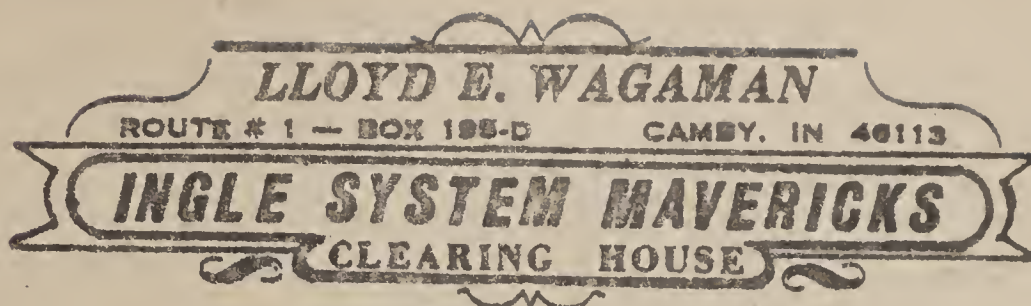
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PROGRESS REPORT

This report is intended to keep the collectors informed of the progress that is being made concerning the Ingle System attribution project. Overall the project is progressing extremely well, really much better than anticipated. However there is still quite a number of well known, advanced collectors that have failed to cooperate. If you have Ingle System mavericks, you can help the project and yourself by reporting them. You will be advised of any you have that are already attributed, and your name will be placed on the file card of your unattributed pieces, and you will be notified when and if any of your pieces are attributed.

As of this writing (Jun 1, 1983) we have a total listing of 2,625 different merchants. Of this amount there are 1,630 of them attributed. This amounts to over 61% of the total listings attributed, so your chances of learning where your Ingles are from is pretty good. In the past 60 days we have had 39 new listings and have made 82 new attributions.

So far we have scanned every name in the 1914 Bradstreets of the following States, IN, OH, WV, KY, AR, MO, and TX, as well as the 1918 R G Dun for IN and KY. Currently we are working on the 1915 Bradstreet of Illinois. We have come a long way, but there is still a long way to go. We urge you to list your Ingles now, while there are still several directories yet to be scanned. To wait for the listing to be published is poor logic. The piece you own just might be the only such piece in existence.

When this project was started, we had hoped for publication to be by the end of 1982. It soon became evident that the information necessary for publishing such a listing could not possibly be obtained in such a short period of time. Even now I wouldn't project publishing by the end of 1983. It will be beyond that, as information is currently coming forth at such a rapid rate that it just wouldn't be sensible to publish now. The listing would be obsolete before it came off the presses.

Whether you have one Ingle token or a hundred, we urge you to cooperate on this project. We have spent hundreds of hours in compiling our present listing and many more will be necessary before publication. The real success of this listing depends on the cooperation of you, the collector. Won't you help on this worthwhile project. Please list us your Ingles, giving the name exactly as it appears on the token, along with any mention of the type of business, and also the patent date and the denomination.



A SHORT HISTORY OF THE CONTINENTAL COAL CORPORATION

BY: Lowell Howard, P. O. Box 1144, Middlesboro, Ky. 40965

The Continental Coal Corporation was organized in 1910, by investors from Louisville, Kentucky and Chattanooga, Tennessee. Officers of the company were: Earl Martin, President; H. L. Cory, Vice-President; and S. O. Lesueur, Secretary and Treasurer, all from Chattanooga, the location of the general offices. General Superintendent and Local Manager was W. L. Moss of Pineville, Kentucky. He was the former General Manager and Secretary of the Straight Creek Coal Mining Company.

Local offices of Continental were located at Wallsend, near Pineville, Kentucky. The Company was organized under two corporations, The Continental Coal Corporation of Wyoming, and the Continental Coal Corporation of Tennessee. Continental of Wyoming owned the land, mines, five stores and four retail yards while Continental of Tennessee was the coal seller and operator of the stores and yards.

Early in 1911, Continental began acquiring mining properties at Four Mile, Wallsend, and Straight Creek, all in Bell County, Kentucky. In this acquisition were included: The Black Raven Coal Company, Four Mile -- Black Bear Coal Company, Four Mile -- Left Fork Coal Company, Cary -- Highland Rim Mining Company, Rim -- Central Coal Company, Cary -- Straight Creek Coal Mining Company, Cary -- Straight Creek Colliery Company, Cary -- Straight Creek Coal & Coke Company, Straight Creek -- and Wallsend Coal & Coke Company, Wallsend.

The author either has in his collection or has seen scrip from all of above mines with the exception of Central Coal Company and Wallsend Coal & Coke Company (not to be confused with the more recent Wallsend Coal Company.)

Shipping points for Continental's coal were at Rim, Melcon and Nussbaum of the Four Mile Branch, at Cary, Arjay, Geraldine, Castro, Glendon and Straight Creek on the Straight Creek Railroad, and at Wallsend on the main line of the L & N Railroad.

At this time Continental was the largest coal company in Southeast Kentucky, owning over 28,000 acres of fine coal land. The years 1911 thru 1915 were productive ones for Continental. In 1912, the company opened the Continental Miners Hospital in Pikeville, the first modern hospital in the area. Due to the efforts of Continental, the first "First Aid Contest" held in Kentucky was held at the Riverview Baseball Park in Pikeville in August of 1912.

In 1913, the Company reopened coke ovens at the Fork of Straight Creek making a total of 250 in operation - 50 at Wallsend and 200 at Straight Creek. Also in 1913, Continental sold its properties at Four Mile to the Four Mile Coal Company apparently to allow its entire capacity to be used in the development of the Straight Creek properties.

Late in 1916, a combination of low market prices and high indebtedness caused losses to Continental which resulted in bankruptcy. Properties of the company were sold at the Bell County Courthouse in Pineville on September 4, 1917.

Research by the author into subsequent happenings turned up evidence that the properties of Continental were acquired by the Liberty Coal & Coke Company, and Federal Coal Company, Straight Creek, Kentucky.

The author has knowledge of the existence of two pieces of Federal scrip and one piece of Liberty scrip.

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Better material for future mail auction sales !! We cannot list R-1 and R-2 material except in group lots due to time and expense !! Why not let over 500 collectors take a look at your material ?? Normal 20% commission on items that sell only - no charge if not sold !!

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SALE NUMBER 86
closing date: May 27, 1983

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It was certainly 'bargain day' on Sale Number 86 !! Many, many of the lots went for minimum bids which indicates something !! Either a lot of collectors did not take the time to look over the lots and send in a bid -- or, the summer slump hit hard -- or, economic conditions preventing many from bidding !! Whatever the reason, those few who submitted bids in this sale got some real fine tokens at a bargain price !!



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COLONEL CALDWELL'S

SALE NUMBER 87

CLOSING DATE ::

JULY 22, 1983

MAIL AUCTION SALE

Minimum Bid is \$1. per token !
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bids !! We reserve the right
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Note that some lots carry a
Minimum Bid as "MB \$___"

At the Bluefield show, I purchased a small collection of choice material to offer in this bid sale!! Better check carefully the following for items that are seldom offered at auction !!

Lot Number:

1. Clifftop WV - Babcock Coal & Coke - 579A10 - ICS - R7 - Fine - 1250
2. Eskdale WV - Wyatt Coal Company - 9630500 - O4 '47 - R7 - Fine - 1005
3. Garrison WV - Webb Coal Mining Co. - 1091A5 - ICS - R7 - Fine -
4. Hot Coal WV - Gulf Coal Co. - 1353B1 - O2 - R7 - Fine
5. Richwood WV - Richwood Store Co. - 2399A500 - R7 - AU -
6. Widen WV - Elk River Coal & Lumber Co. - 3023A5 - R7 - Fine
7. Lico WV - W. F. Griffith - 1633B1 - MM2 - AU -
8. Milburn WV - Milburn By-Products Coal Co. - 1907B5 - Unk Mfg - Avg
9. Ansted WV - Croft & Evans Store - 93I50 - Unlisted - Orco 2 - AU -
10. Mount Gay WV - The Gay Coal & Coke Co. - 1991A5 - ICS - R7 - Fine
11. Powhatan WV - Powhatan Coal & Coke Co. - 2271A50 - ICS - Indian photo - AU - R7
12. Powhatan WV - Powhatan Coal & Coke Co. - 2271C5 - O2 - Indian photo - AU - R7
13. Prudence WV - Prudence Coal Co. - 2307A10 - ICS - Fine - R7
14. Richwood WV - Richwood Store Co. - 2399A100 - Quints mint - R7 - Fine
15. Mammoth WV - Warner Collieries Company - 1761C500 - O4 '45 - R8 - Fine
16. Burnwell WV - Imperial Colliery Co. - 421A1 - ICS - Avg - R8
17. Burnwell WV - Imperial Colliery Co. - 421B500 - R8 - Crown photo - Fine
18. Cinco WV - Dixport Coal Co. - 551F500 - ISC1 - AU - R8
19. Belle WV - Frye Coal Company - 203A50 - Orco 2 - R8 - Avg
20. Carbondale WV - Kanawha & Hocking Coal & Coke - 473C10 - R8 - Avg
21. Carbondale WV - Kanawha & Hocking Coal & Coke - 473C25 - Unlisted - Avg
22. Milburn WV - Milburn By-Products Coal - 1907C1 - Unk Mfg - M cut - Br - Avg
23. Kaymoor WV - N. R. & P. Stores - 1481B10 - O2 - R8 - AU
24. Boomer WV - Boomer Coal & Coke Co. - 337A100 - Orco 1 - R9 - Fine 1900
25. Laing WV - Wyatt Coal Company - 1553M500 - O4 '47 - Fine - R9
26. Rainelle WV - Meadow River Lumber Co. - Trantow 1792A1 - R10 - ISC1 - Avg
27. Gordon WV - Detroit Mining Co. - Unlisted 1¢ - Orco 4 '47 - Br - Fine
28. Dorfee WV - Thompson Block Coal Co. - 821A1 - Unlisted - ICS - Fine
29. Lamar WV - Lamar Colliery Co. - 1555A100 - ISC2 - R10 - Fine
30. Laing WV - Wyatt Coal Co. - 1553L50 - O4 '47 - R10 - AU
31. Sharon WV - Wyatt Coal Co. - 2571E500 - Red Fiber - O4 '44 - R10 - Fine
32. Highcoal WV - Anchor Coal Co. - Unlisted 1¢ - Red Fiber - O3 - Fine
33. Bower WV - Copen Gas Coal Mines, Inc. - 353A1 - R7 - AU - Unk Mfg
34. Cinco WV - Dixport Coal Company - 551F500 - ISC1 - R8 - Fine
35. Madison WV - L. E. Stone - (Madison Mining) - Unlisted 1¢ br - Unk Mfg - Fine

NOTE: We are looking for GOOD material to buy or will accept on consignment for sale in the auction !! Why not let over 500 collectors look at what you have to offer ??

++++ COLONEL CALDWELL'S MAIL AUCTION SALE NO. 87 :: CLOSING DATE: JULY 22, 1983

On February 26, 1972, one hundred thirty-two million gallons of debris-filled mud - "rolling lava", as one witness described it - burst through a makeshift and faulty mining-company dam and roared through Buffalo Creek, a narrow mountain hollow in West Virginia. Slashed and scarred by strip-mine benches, the valley had been the home of five thousand people. 125 people were killed and 4,000 were left homeless in the disaster. Many books have been written about this event including: The Buffalo Creek Disaster by Gerald M. Stern -- Death at Buffalo Creek by Tom Nugent -- and Everything In Its Path by Kai T. Erikson.

Two of the mining communities in the hollow were Amherstdale and Lundale where the Logan County Coal Corporation had mining operations. Following are sets of coal mine scrip from these two locations that I am offering as a historical keep-sake !! As will be noted in Sale No. 85, sets from these locations brought approx. \$30 and \$17.

For a short time, while my supply lasts, you can have a SEVEN piece set of Amherstdale - 1¢ thru \$5.00 - and a SIX piece set of Lundale - 5¢ thru \$5.00 for only \$30.00. This will help with bulletin publication costs and will last only a short time !! Just indicate on your bid sheet that you want the TWO sets and they will be mailed to you with bill !!

Lot Number:

36. A unique book! A 1905 reprint of a 1815 "First Directory of Pittsburgh". The Colonial Trust Company had published the 158 page- hard back directory. Contains the names and professions of heads of families plus a variety of other useful information.

37. SPECIAL COLLECTION CONSIGNMENT :: 96 pieces of scrip in a deluxe binder complete with 2 x 2's properly labeled. The collection includes ELEVEN complete sets from FIVE diff. states. Also includes FOUR paper scrip books! Current trend is over \$250.00. Note several \$5 tokens in the collection and some of the companies are: F. K. Lowe's (bi-metal); Stanley Coal Co.; Harcrow Mines; Crummies Creek; Asbury & Waters set (Hymeria, Indiana); Arnettsville Store Company, etc. Very nice for the beginning collector !! Reasonably priced at MB \$125. csCheux22

38. Tamaroa, Illinois - Tamaroa Store Co. - 2748B10 - SC - BR - R8 - Unk mfg.

39. Tamaroa, Illinois - Tamaroa Store Co. - 2748B25 - SC - BR - R6 - Unk mfg.
(Note: Above two tokens UNLISTED in present Edkins catalog. Will be listed in new edition with numbers and rarity as shown! Donated to NSCA by Scriptor Mark Ballard to help with expenses of bulletin! Thanks!

Special Consignment of Misc. coal and other tokens:: c/sSBRowx3

- 40. Dyersville, Iowa - Silver Cafe - GF 5¢ In Trade - Br - Unk Mfg - AU
- 41. Luke, Maryland - Devon Club - (cs for W.Va. Pulp & Paper - See article in recent issue of SCRIP TALK) - 1¢ & 5¢ - Brass - MM2 mfg - boomerang co - Fine (2 pcs) 1200
- 42. Perins Peak, Colorado - C.F. Co. - Colo MX1 - GF One Stick Powder
- 43. Somerset, Colorado - W.S.Co. - Colo MX14 - GF One Exploder
- 44. PA MX4 - Mt. Pleasant Supply Co. - GF One Stick Permissive Explosive
- 45. Wooldridge, Tn - Wooldridge Jellico Coal Co. - 3091C5 - weak strike - dated 1896
- 46. Kingsport, Tn - BMRA Service Store - 1¢ br -MM2 mfg - sd - Avg
- 47. Mountain Ash, Ky - Jellico Coal Mining Co. - 1985B5 and B10 - Avg
- 48. Nortonville, Ky - Norton Coal Mining Co. - 2091 F5; and 2091G5 - got both? - Avg
- 49. Pee Vee, Ky - C. E. Flanary Store - **SET 2197B5 thru B100 (5 pcs) (Looney Creek Coal)
- 50. Providence, Ky - Ruckman Store Co. - 2303D10; D25; E5a; E50; E100a; E100b (6 pcs)

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- *** COLONEL CALDWELL'S MAIL AUCTION SALE NO. 87 : CLOSING DATE: JULY 22, 1983
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51. Rue Ky - So Harlan Coal -2479B1
 52. Tinsley Ky -Harlan Ind Coll 2793G100
 53. Wallins Ky -The Good Coal Co. 2929F1
 54. Little Creek Ky - Bell Coal Co - MX1
 55. Gallup New Mexico - C.N.Cotton - Uniface -250 - Consignor notes "fantasy token"
 56. El Paso, Texas - Gem Saloon - \$4 Liquor only - Consignor notes "possibly fantasy"
 57. Aflex Ky - Leckie Coll - 27B1 - TWO varieties -plus 27B10a - (3 pcs)
 58. Black Diamond Coal 837H10
 59. Elys Ky - Harlan Products - 923D1
 60. Asco Ky - Elkhorn Shelby Ck 961A1b
 61. Fonde Ky - Morgan Grocery - 1041F5; F10; F25; F50 (4 pcs)
 62. High Splint Ky - Seagraves Coal Co. 1323E5; E10; E25; e50; E100 (5 pcs)
 63. McDowell Ky - Parsons Elkhorn 1847A100b
 64. Amherstdale WV -Amherst 8111; X100; Y100a (3 pcs)
 65. Amigo WV -Amigo Coal Co. 83E1
 66. Anjean WV Leckie Smokeless 91A25; A50; A100
 67. Anjean Leckie Smokeless 91B1; B5; B10; B100 (4 pcs)
 68. Koppers Stores Inc. 177E10; E50
 69. Koppers Stores 177F5; F100
 70. Koppers Stores 177G1; G5a; G5a var; G5b; G10 var; G10 var; G25; G50; G100b; G500 (5 pcs)
 71. Koppers Stores 177H1; J1; J5; J10a; J25; J50 (5 pcs)
 72. Koppers Stores 177K1b; L1; P1; Q1 got em?
 73. Becco WV - Becco Mercantile **SET 187A5 thru A100 (5 pcs)
 74. Becco WV - Becco Mercantile 187B25
 75. Beckley WV - General Dept Stores 189G25; G50; H100; H500 (4 pcs)
 76. General Dept Stores 189I1 and J1
 77. Lecony Smokeless - 243D5; F25; F50; F100a; G10; H1b (6 pcs)
 78. Crane Creek WV - American Coal 690A5; A10 var; A10 var; A25; A25 var; A50; A100 (7 pcs)
 79. Crown Hill WV - Riverton Coal - 703D100 worn; E50 wartime fiber red
 80. Cunard WV Coal Run Coal 717A25; A50
 81. Elkhorn - Upland Coal & Coke 899D100
 82. Eskdale -Basic Supply 963C25;C50; C100 ctrst "2" indicating use at diff location ?
 83. Eskdale - Wyatt Coal 963O500
 84. Ethel - Wood Coal Co. 967G50
 85. Ethel - Wanda Mining - 967N500
 86. Glen Morrison - Morrison Coal - 1135B10
 87. Kempton - Buxton & Landstreet 1489C1 and D1 - got both these goodies ?
 88. Birch Fork - 275A25; A50; A100
 89. Brady - Edna Gas 361B10; A25; A100; A100 var
 90. Carbon, Carbon Fuel 469A500
 91. Cinderella -Sycamore Coal 553A25;D5;D50
 92. Concho -Low Volatile 647C1; B10
 93. SURPRIZE LOT of 18, all diff coal tokens- Are you a gambler? - See what you win for a bid MB \$18 - Talk about good traders - Lookee and see ! csSBrowx

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94. (Turkey Gap Coal & Coke) T. G. C. & Co. ? - TWO diff G/F One Cardox - Discovered at the Bluefield show - blank reverse - normal hole at top - Exploders are HOT !!

95. A SUPERB SET - Tracy City, Tennessee - Tennessee Consolidated Coal Co. - 2825A1; A5; A10; A25; A50; A100 and A500 (7 pcs) - R5;7;7;7;7;7;9 - Fine - MB \$50.00

96. Bluefield WV - Pocahontas Coalfield Centennial Celebration, Inc. - dated 3/12/83
Photo of coal car - Reverse is Orco 4 die with \$3 denom - antique brass - AU

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97. Clairfield, TN - Cleage Willis Coal Company - 557J25 - star cut - R7 - Fine

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A WEST VIRGINIA COLLECTION GOING ON THE AUCTION BLOCK !! Note Minimum Bids as listed !!

98. Benton Il - Youngs 223A100 to A1 - Set - MB \$10.00
99. Clairfield Th - Virginia Jellico Coal Co. - 557G5 thru G50 (4 pcs) fiber MB \$5.00
100. Bonny Blue VA -Blue Diamond Coal - 333B5 thru B100 (5 pcs) MB \$25.00
101. Coeburn, VA - P. L. Kilgore ** SET 1¢ thru \$1- Orco 1 mfg - MB \$20.00
102. Jewell Ridge VA - 1449F1 thru F500 (7 pcs) - MB \$15.00
103. St. Charles VA - The Virginia Lee Company - 2495V100; V50; U25a; X10; U5 MB \$15.00
104. Amherstdale WV - Amherst Coal Co. -81I500; H100 thru H5; and I1 MB \$20.00
105. Burch WV -William Ann Coal Co. - 413D5 thru D100 (5 pcs) MB \$10.00
106. Cannelton WV - Cannelton Coal & Coke - 459A100; C100; A10; A25; A50; B5 MB \$15.00

+++ COLONEL CALDWELL'S MAIL AUCTION SALE NO. 87 ++ CLOSING DATE: JULY 22, 1983 +++
 CONTINUING THE SETS FROM THE W. VA. COLLECTOR SELL OUT - NOTE MINIMUM BIDS

- 107. Cinco WV - Dixport Coal Company - 551D100b; D50; D25; E10; E5; C1 MB \$12.
- 108. Covel WV - Gulf Smokeless - Covel Mine - 677B100; B50; B25; B10b; B5 MB \$20.00
- 109. Elkhorn WV - Crozer Coal & Coke - 899F1000; F10 thru F100; F5b (6 pcs) MB \$22.00
- 110. Ethel WV - Ames Mining Co. - 967J5 thru J100 (5 pcs) MB \$15.00

NOTE: These minimum bid prices as set by the consignor appear to be very realistic !! Collectors should take advantage of this comprehensive listing !

- 111. Iaeger Wv - Virginia Red Ash Coal Co. - 1379A5 thru A100 - (5 pcs) MB \$12.00
- 112. Kermit WV - Earlston Coal Co. - 1501A100; A50; A25a; A10a; A5c ni; B5b MB \$22.
- 113. Crellin MD - Stanley Coal Co. - 1527B500 to B10b; B5a MB \$22.
- 114. Kilsyth WV - The New River Co. - #15 cut - 1515B1 thru B100 - MB \$22.00
- 115. Laing WV - Wyatt Coal Company - 1553E5 thru E100 plus M500 (10c bad) MB \$18.
- 116. Lawton WV - Greenwood Coal Co. - 1583A25; A50; A100; D10; D5; (A25 bad) MB \$20.
- 117. Mt. Hope WV - The New River Co. - #1 cut - 1995B5 thru B100 PLUS C500 MB \$20.
- 118. Nuttallburg WV - New River Smokeless Coal - 2097L5 thru L100 MB \$8.00
- 119. Rhodell WV - E. C. Minter Coal Co. - 2389A500 to A25; E10; E5; C1, D1b; F1 (9 pc) MB \$35
- 120. Rhodell WV - E.C. Minter Coal No. 2 - 2389H100; H50; G25; G10b; H5 MB \$35.00
- 121. Scarbro WV - The New River Co. #2 - 2531G500; F1 thru F100 - MB \$8.00
- 122. Skelton WV - The New River Co. #9 - 2599G5 thru G100 - MB \$10.
- 123. Stanaford WV - The New River Co. #11 - 2647E1 thru E100 - MB \$22.

In taking another look at these prices, it seems to be the lowest ask price of the past few years !! You should certainly take advantage of this and put aside some sets for future advances !!

- 124. Superior WV - Lake Superior Coal Co. - 2723D100; B50; B25; B10; D5a; H1 cs S MB \$7.
- 125. Vivian WV - Peerless Coal & Coke - 2913C100; C50; C25 worn; C10; H5 MB \$22.
- 126. Vivian WV - Peerless Coal & Coke - 2913E100; D100; D25; D10; D5 MB \$12.
- 127. Cinco WV - P. W. Orndorffs Store - Orco 2 mfg - 5c thru \$1 (5 pcs) MB \$18.
- 128. Duq WV - Duo Supply Co.- Orco 4 - 5c thru \$1 - (5 pcs) - MB \$10.
- 129. Rainelle WV - Rainelle Supply Co. - 1c thru \$1 - 6 pcs - MB \$8.

PART SETS AND SINGLES

- 130. 18 all diff The New River Company 1c tokens - wear on few - no #9 or #M - but a nice mini-collection of this company - MB \$15
- 131. Amigo WV - Malcolm Supply Co. - 83B10; B5 MB \$7.
- 132. Ashland WV - Ashland Coal & Coke - 127A50; B25; C10; A10 MB \$15.
- 133. Beards Fork WV - Koppers Stores INC - 177G25; G10; G5a; G1 MB \$4.
- 134. Becco WV - Becco Mercantile - 187A25 MB \$10.
- 135. Becco WV - Becco Mercantil - 187A50 MB \$8.
- 136. Carbon WV - Carbon Fuel Co.- 469A500; C100; C50; C25; C5; C1 - MB \$12.
- 137. Carlisle WV - The New River Co. - 487G10; G5; G1 MB \$6.
- 138. Elverton WV - Branch Coal & Coke Co. - 921D100; C50; C25 MB \$15.
- 139. Glen Jean WV - The New River Co. - 1131G25; G10; G5; G1 MB \$15.
- 140. Harvey WV - The New River Co. - 1253D25; D10; E5; D1; E1 MB \$13.
- 141. Hepzibah WV - Hutchinson Coal Co. - 1305C50b; C25 MB \$8.
- 142. Lamar WV - Lamar Colliery Co. - 1555A25; A10; A5; A1 PLUS 10c 26mm - MB \$20.
- 143. Lawton WV - Hemlock Hollow Coal & Coke - 1583F100; F50; F25a; G10 - MB \$15.
- 144. Lochgelly WV - The New River Co. #7 - 1655E1 thru E50 MB \$15.
- 145. Logan WV - Herman Grocery Co. 1661G50; G25; G5 MB \$5.
- 146. Longacre WV - Semet - Solvay Co. - 1671B10; H1; L1 MB \$6.
- 147. Macbeth WV - Hutchinson Coal Co. - 1719A50; A25; D5 MB \$10.
- 148. Mahan WV - Christian Colliery Co. - 1745C25 np; C10; D5 MB \$8.
- 149. Matoka WV - Pawama Coal & Coke Co.- 1819A100; A50; A25; B5 bad cond MB \$12.
- 150. Monongah WV - F.K.Lowes 1943C50; C25; C10 all worn alum ctr bimetal MB \$7.